

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 027947
ORIGIN PM-05

INFO OCT-01 AF-10 NEA-10 ISO-00 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15
CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 PRS-01 /056 R

DRAFTED BY PM/ISO:JEBURGESS:ML
APPROVED BY PM/ISO: GTCHURCHILL
OASD/ISA/NESA: CDR ZWART (DRAFT)
OPNAV: CAPT IHEYWARD (DRAFT)
NEA/RA - COL. GROSS
AF/I - LTC CARROLL
AF/E - JWHITING
PM/ISP - FMILLER (INFO)
-----009092 021826Z /41

P 021639Z PEB 78
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY JIDDA PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY DJIBOUTI PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY SANA PRIORITY
INFO AMEMBASSY MOGADISCO PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA PRIORITY
USCINCEUR PRIORITY
CINCUSNAVEUR PRIORITY
COMIDEASTFOR PRIORITY
SECDEF PRIORITY
JCS PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 027947

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS, OCLR, SU, US

SUBJECT: LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR COMIDEASTFOR SURVEILLANCE
OPERATIONS

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 027947

REF: A. KHARTOUM 382 (PASEP); B. CINCUSNAVEUR 301956Z JAN
78; C. CNO 010058Z FEB 78

1. IN RESPONSE TO CJCS TASKING UNDER AUTHORITY AND DIREC-
TION OF SECDEF, USS TRUETT (FF 1095) HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO
AUGMENT MIDEASTFOR, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING US SUR-

VEILLANCE OF ONGOING ACTIVITY IN THE RED SEA/GULF OF ADEN REGION. AS NOTED REFTEL C, THIS AUGMENTATION, AND PRESENTLY OPEN-ENDED REQUIREMENT TO COLLECT INFORMATION IN THE AREA, WILL REQUIRE THE ASSISTANCE OF ADDEE POSTS AND COOPERATION OF HOST GOVERNMENTS AND PORT AUTHORITIES TO PROVIDE REQUISITE LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR US NAVY UNITS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. FYI, WITH USS LA SALLE IN NAPLES, TRUETT'S ARRIVAL WILL BRING MIDEASTFOR STRENGTH IN THE REGION TO THREE DESTROYER/FRIGATE SIZE VESSELS. END FYI.

2. WE CANNOT AT THIS TIME PREDICT FROM WASHINGTON THE EX-ACT FREQUENCY AND SPREAD OF FUEL STOPS/PORT VISITS AND/OR LOGISTIC RESUPPLY FLIGHTS WHICH MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO SUPPORT

TWO OR THREE US NAVY SHIPS (AS COMPARED TO MORE THAN 25 SOVIET VESSELS NOW IN THE USSR INDIAN OCEAN SQUADRON). SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS WILL BE MADE KNOWN BY APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES AS INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE. WE ENVISION THAT EACH SHIP WILL REQUIRE A BRIEF FUEL STOP (NORMALLY, ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE ON SAME DAY) EVERY SIX DAYS. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT PORT CALL (AND POTENTIAL AIRLIFT) SCHEDULING WILL BE BALANCED AMONG AVAILABLE LOCATIONS, TAKING EMBASSY VIEWS AND FACILITY CAPABILITIES INTO ACCOUNT. WHILE IN THE SHORT TERM, SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL AIRLINES MAY BE USED AS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT SHIPS, REQUIREMENT FOR OCCASIONAL MILITARY AIRLIFT FLIGHTS MAY ALSO ARISE.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STATE 027947

4. IN ORDER TO MEET CONCERNS FOR HOST COUNTRY SENSITIVITIES EXPRESSED REFTEL A, ACTION ADDRESSEE EMBASSIES MAY, AT THEIR DISCRETION, INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS IN CONFIDENCE THAT OCCASIONAL USN FUEL STOPS (AND POSSIBLE FUTURE USN SMALL-SCALE LOGISTICS SUPPORT TO THE VESSELS BY AIR) WILL BE/ARE BEING REQUESTED IN THE HOST COUNTRY SOLELY TO SUPPORT US SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS, AND THAT USG POLICY OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN EVENTS IN THE HORN REMAINS UNAFFECTED BY THE TEMPORARY ADDITION OF ONE FRIGATE TO MIDEASTFOR UNITS IN THE REGION. VANCE

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

*** Current Handling Restrictions *** n/a
*** Current Classification *** CONFIDENTIAL
@@@OASYS@@@<CONCATENATED>

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 027947
ORIGIN PM-05

INFO OCT-01 AF-10 NEA-10 ISO-00 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15
CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 PRS-01 /056 R

DRAFTED BY PM/ISO:JEBURGESS:ML
APPROVED BY PM/ISO: GTCHURCHILL
OASD/ISA/NESA: CDR ZWART (DRAFT)
OPNAV: CAPT IHEYWARD (DRAFT)
NEA/RA - COL. GROSS
AF/I - LTC CARROLL
AF/E - JWHITING
PM/ISP - FMILLER (INFO)
-----009092 021826Z /41

P 021639Z PEB 78
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY JIDDA PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY DJIBOUTI PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY SANA PRIORITY
INFO AMEMBASSY MOGADISCO PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA PRIORITY
USCINCEUR PRIORITY
CINCUSNAVEUR PRIORITY
COMIDEASTFOR PRIORITY
SECDEF PRIORITY
JCS PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 027947

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS, OCLR, SU, US

SUBJECT: LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR COMIDEASTFOR SURVEILLANCE
OPERATIONS

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 027947

REF: A. KHARTOUM 382 (PASEP); B. CINCUSNAVEUR 301956Z JAN
78; C. CNO 010058Z FEB 78

1. IN RESPONSE TO CJCS TASKING UNDER AUTHORITY AND DIREC-

TION OF SECDEF, USS TRUETT (FF 1095) HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO AUGMENT MIDEASTFOR, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING US SURVEILLANCE OF ONGOING ACTIVITY IN THE RED SEA/GULF OF ADEN REGION. AS NOTED REFTEL C, THIS AUGMENTATION, AND PRESENTLY OPEN-ENDED REQUIREMENT TO COLLECT INFORMATION IN THE AREA, WILL REQUIRE THE ASSISTANCE OF ADDEE POSTS AND COOPERATION OF HOST GOVERNMENTS AND PORT AUTHORITIES TO PROVIDE REQUISITE LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR US NAVY UNITS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. FYI, WITH USS LA SALLE IN NAPLES, TRUETT'S ARRIVAL WILL BRING MIDEASTFOR STRENGTH IN THE REGION TO THREE DESTROYER/FRIGATE SIZE VESSELS. END FYI.

2. WE CANNOT AT THIS TIME PREDICT FROM WASHINGTON THE EXACT FREQUENCY AND SPREAD OF FUEL STOPS/PORT VISITS AND/OR LOGISTIC RESUPPLY FLIGHTS WHICH MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO SUPPORT

TWO OR THREE US NAVY SHIPS (AS COMPARED TO MORE THAN 25 SOVIET VESSELS NOW IN THE USSR INDIAN OCEAN SQUADRON). SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS WILL BE MADE KNOWN BY APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES AS INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE. WE ENVISION THAT EACH SHIP WILL REQUIRE A BRIEF FUEL STOP (NORMALLY, ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE ON SAME DAY) EVERY SIX DAYS. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT PORT CALL (AND POTENTIAL AIRLIFT) SCHEDULING WILL BE BALANCED AMONG AVAILABLE LOCATIONS, TAKING EMBASSY VIEWS AND FACILITY CAPABILITIES INTO ACCOUNT. WHILE IN THE SHORT TERM, SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL AIRLINES MAY BE USED AS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT SHIPS, REQUIREMENT FOR OCCASIONAL MILITARY AIRLIFT FLIGHTS MAY ALSO ARISE.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STATE 027947

4. IN ORDER TO MEET CONCERNS FOR HOST COUNTRY SENSITIVITIES EXPRESSED REFTEL A, ACTION ADDRESSEE EMBASSIES MAY, AT THEIR DISCRETION, INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS IN CONFIDENCE THAT OCCASIONAL USN FUEL STOPS (AND POSSIBLE FUTURE USN SMALL-SCALE LOGISTICS SUPPORT TO THE VESSELS BY AIR) WILL BE/ARE BEING REQUESTED IN THE HOST COUNTRY SOLELY TO SUPPORT US SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS, AND THAT USG POLICY OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN EVENTS IN THE HORN REMAINS UNAFFECTED BY THE TEMPORARY ADDITION OF ONE FRIGATE TO MIDEASTFOR UNITS IN THE REGION. VANCE

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

*** Current Handling Restrictions *** n/a

*** Current Classification *** CONFIDENTIAL

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE, MILITARY LOGISTICS, SURVEILLANCE
Control Number: n/a
Copy: <CONCATENATED>
Draft Date: 02 feb 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978STATE027947
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: JEBURGESS:ML
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: n/a
Expiration:
Film Number: D780050-0476
Format: TEL
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t197802112/aaaafmzk.tel
Line Count: 219
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON MICROFILM, TEXT ON-LINE
Message ID: 114d9cce-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ORIGIN PM
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 4
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 78 KHARTOUM 382
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 21 apr 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3457430
Secure: OPEN
Status: <DBA CORRECTED> gwr 970825
Subject: LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR COMIDEASTFOR SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS CONFIDENTIAL
TAGS: MOPS, OCLR, SU, US, OCLR
To: DJIBOUTI JIDDA MULTIPLE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/114d9cce-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014